CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

RESOLUTION R5-2017-XXXX

APPROVING THE LOCAL AGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR MERCED COUNTY DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

WHEREAS, on 19 June 2012, the State Water Resources Control Board (hereafter State Board) adopted Resolution No. 2012-0032, which in part approves the Water Quality Control Policy for Siting, Design, Operation, and Maintenance of Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (hereafter the OWTS Policy); and

WHEREAS, the OWTS Policy allows Local Agencies to propose Local Agency Management Programs (hereafter LAMPs) for California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (hereafter Central Valley Water Board) approval, as conditional waivers of Waste Discharge Requirements; and

WHEREAS, The OWTS Policy requires Central Valley Water Board staff (hereafter staff) to solicit comments from the State Water Resources Control Board Division of Drinking Water (hereafter DDW) regarding a LAMP's proposed setbacks and notifications to water purveyors; and

WHEREAS, on 13 May 2016 the Merced County Department of Public Health, Division of Environmental Health (hereafter MCDEH) submitted a formal draft LAMP, along with a preliminary completeness checklist (hereafter checklist) per staff's request; and

WHEREAS, on 7 June 2016, Central Valley Water Board staff sought DDW's comments on the formal draft LAMP; on 15 September 2016 DDW concurred with the proposed setbacks and notifications contingent upon an appropriate workshop by 13 May 2018 to define public agency responsibilities and procedures for OWTS Policy implementation; and

WHEREAS, on 14 September 2016 staff provided MCDEH with comments on the formal draft LAMP; on 1 November 2016 MCDEH submitted a revised draft LAMP that addressed staff's comments; on 21 November 2016 staff and MCDEH completed discussions on the revised draft LAMP and checklist; and;

WHEREAS, on 23 January 2017, the Central Valley Water Board notified MCDEH and interested parties of its intent to approve the LAMP, and provided them with an opportunity for public hearing, and an opportunity to submit comments and recommendations, both on the LAMP and checklist; and

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WHEREAS, on <date>, the Central Valley Water Board, in a public meeting, heard and considered all comments pertaining to this action:

Therefore, be it RESOLVED, that the Central Valley Water Board hereby approves the Local Agency Management Program submitted by Merced County Division of Environmental Health.

PAMELA C. CREEDON, Executive Officer